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The Story Circle
 Network Presents



Stories from the Heart VI

*“As women,
 we teach and pass on
 our wisdom
 through story.”*

~Marion Woodman

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Stories from the Heart

Plan now to join us for a unique and exciting event: the sixth national women's memoir conference of the Story Circle Network!

Stories from the Heart VI invites women from around the nation to celebrate our stories and our lives. Through writing, reading, listening, and sharing, we discover how personal narrative is a healing art, how we can gather our memories, and how we can tell and share our stories.

We welcome readers, writers, story-tellers, and any woman with a past, present, and future. Conference workshops offer opportunities to explore our lives, expand our relationships with other women, learn about marketing and self-publishing, and discover different modes and media—such as art, movement, and poetry—for sharing our stories. Learn, share, and celebrate with us as we honor women's stories!



*Join us at the beautiful Wyndham Hotel
 in the heart of Austin—accessible to
 every part of this exciting city.*

Our Presenters. . .

From our Friday night speaker to our closing lunch on Sunday, you will meet remarkable women.

Gail Straub, our Friday night keynote speaker, is the author of four books, including her award-winning memoir, *Returning to My Mother's House* and *Empowerment: The Art of Creating Your Life As You Want It* (with David Gershon); *The Rhythm of Compassion: Caring for Self, Connection With Society*; and *Circle of Compassion: Meditations for Caring for the Self and the World*. She is the co-founder with her husband, David Gershon, of Empowerment Training Programs and co-director of the Empowerment Institute Certification Program, a school for transformative leadership. She is also the founder of Grace: A Spiritual Growth Training Program.



Susan J. Tweit, our Sunday luncheon speaker, is the award-winning author of twelve books (including her memoir, *Walking Nature Home: A Life's Journey*, and *Colorado Scenic Byways*, winner of the Colorado Book Award), numerous magazine articles, and newspaper columns.



Program

Friday, April 13

- ♥ 9am: Registration opens
- ♥ 9:30am-noon: Coaching Sessions
- ♥ Noon-3:45pm: Pre-Conference Workshops
- ♥ 4-5pm: Conference Welcome Session
- ♥ 5:30-7:30PM: Dutch-treat dinner
- ♥ 7:30PM: Keynote Address: Gail Straub
(dessert reception following)

Saturday, April 14

- ♥ 8:30am: Registration opens
- ♥ 9-10:30am: Session 1
- ♥ 11am-12:30pm: Session 2
- ♥ 12:30-2pm: Luncheon; entertainment: Susan Lincoln
- ♥ 2-3:30pm: free time & special sessions
- ♥ 3:30-5pm: Session 3
- ♥ 5-8pm: Dutch-treat dinner
- ♥ 8-10pm: Open Mike: *Storytelling from the Heart*

Sunday, April 15

- ♥ 9-10:30am: Session 4
- ♥ 11am-12:30pm: Session 5
- ♥ 12:30-2pm Luncheon; speaker: Susan J. Tweit

Sessions

(subject to change...)

Pre-Conference Workshops

- (not included in full registration, additional \$30-40)
- ♥ *The Power of Your Story: Rethink, Reframe, Re-Story Your Life:* Jeanne Guy
 - ♥ *It's 10 pm, Do You Know Where Your Story Is? Seven Steps to Successful Story Structure:* Matilda Butler & Kendra Bonnett

Session 1

- ♥ *Writing the Truth: Issues, Ethics & Poetic License:* Suzanne Sherman, Sebastopol CA
- ♥ *KISS: Keep It Short & Simple!:* Fran Reynolds, Columbia MO
- ♥ *The Wedding of Fact and Imagination: The Essential Partnership in Writing Life Story:* Gail Straub, West Hurley NY
- ♥ *Juicy Writing With Fruits & Veggies:* Jan Seale, McAllen TX

Sessions (cont.)

Session 2

- ♥ *How 20 Minutes a Day Can Help You Become a Better Writer:* Helen Leatherwood, Beverly Hills CA
- ♥ *Expanding Your Publishing Options: eBooks, PODs, Self-Publishing, Oh My!:* Kendra Bonnett, Milbridge ME
- ♥ *Life Lessons from the Crossroads:* Joyce Boatright, The Woodlands TX
- ♥ *Beyond Words:* Mitzi Boyd, Fort Worth TX

Special Sessions

- ♥ *Panel: The Power of the Circle:* Moderator: Barbara Miller, Austin TX
- ♥ *Keep Your Day Going With Restorative, Relaxing Chair Yoga:* Regina Moser, Austin TX
- ♥ *LGBT Conversation:* to be announced

Session 3

- ♥ *Creating an Awesome and Sustaining Blog:* Judy Miller, Zionsville IN
- ♥ *Memoir Writing: Brighten Your Leaf on the Family Tree:* Marilyn Collins, Rogers AR
- ♥ *Moments of Being: Writing a Spiritual Memoir:* Linda Joy Myers, Richmond CA
- ♥ *Of Journeys and Treasures:* Betsy Boyd, Maryville TN; Cindy Flora, Clearwater FL

Session 4

- ♥ *Harnessing the Present Moment for Deep, Authentic Writing:* Carolyn Scarborough, Austin TX
- ♥ *Writing Alchemy: New, Fast, Fun, Cool, Quick-Start Method:* Matilda Butler, Corvallis OR
- ♥ *Let the Words Spill Forth:* Lynn Goodwin, Danville CA
- ♥ *Our Stories, True Stories: Research for Memoir and How To Do It:* Marlene Samuels, Chicago IL

Session 5

- ♥ *The People on the Page:* Mary Daniels Brown, Ballwin MO
- ♥ *Rewrite Your Life: How to Transform the Tragic, the Ordinary and the Dull-as-Dirt into Compelling Memoir:* Donna Johnson, Austin TX
- ♥ *Pearls of Wisdom: Memoirs about Mother:* Kate Farrell, Sebastopol CA
- ♥ *Journal Writing for Memoir: Capturing the Past, Present, & Future:* Amber Lea Starfire, Napa CA



Fee Schedule



Full Session—Friday, Saturday, & Sunday

- Register through 2/15: \$240
 - Register 2/16-4/5: \$265
 - Register at the door: \$290
- Above fees are for members; non-members please add \$50.*

Friday Pre-Conference Workshops

- (Optional, not included in full registration)
- Register through 2/15: \$30 each
 - Register 2/16-4/5: \$35 each
 - Register at the door: \$40 each

Friday Evening Keynote Speaker & Reception

- Register through 2/15: \$30
- Register 2/16-4/5: \$35
- Register at the door: \$40

Saturday Sessions Only (includes lunch)

- Register through 2/15: \$120
 - Register 2/16-4/5: \$150
 - Register at the door: \$180
- Above fees are for members; non-members please add \$30.*

Sunday Sessions Only (includes lunch)

- Register through 2/15: \$90
 - Register 2/16-4/5: \$110
 - Register at the door: \$130
- Above fees are for members; non-members please add \$20.*

Saturday or Sunday Lunch Only

- Register through 2/15: \$30
 - Register 2/16-4/5: \$40
- No door registration*

The Story Circle Network is a national, non-profit membership organization dedicated to helping women tell their stories, to honoring women's stories, and to educating the public to the importance of women's stories.

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- I am registering for (please check all that apply):**
- Full Registration: Friday evening, Saturday, & Sunday (excluding Friday Pre-Conference; to add it, check below)
 - Friday Pre-Conference Workshop (J. Guy)
 - Friday Pre-Conference Workshop (M. Butler / K. Bonnett)
 - Friday Evening Keynote/Reception
 - Saturday Lunch—select one: chicken vegetarian
 - Sunday Sessions Only
 - Sunday Lunch—select one: chicken vegetarian

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$_____ (refer to fee schedule)

To pay by credit card, go to storycircle.org/Conference/register.php
You may cancel until January 1, 2010 with a \$50 cancellation fee for full registration or \$25 for one-day registration.
No refunds for Friday's keynote/reception or lunches.

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Email: _____

Registration Form for Stories from the Heart VI Conference
To register, tear off and mail this form to: Story Circle Network, PO Box 500127, Austin TX 78750-0127
Or register online at storycircle.org/Conference/register.php